

Appl. No. 09/672,753
Amdt. dated 3 August 2004
Reply to Office Action of 4 May 2004

REMARKS

In the above-mentioned Final Office Action, claim 21 was allowed. Dependent claim 6 was indicated to recite patentable subject matter, but objection was made to the claim for being dependent upon rejected parent claims. And, claims 1-4 and 7-20 were rejected under Section 103(a) over the combination of *Alamouti* and *Wei*.

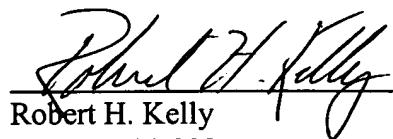
Responsive to the rejection of the claims, claim 1 has been amended to include the recitations of claim 6 and its intervening claims. Method claim 13 has been amended to recite a method analogous to the apparatus recited in proposed, amended claim 1. Amendments are made to allowed claim 21, but are not believed to affect the substance of the claim.

Accordingly, claim 1 is believed to be in condition for allowance. As claim 13 recites a method analog to claim 1, claim 13, amended as proposed, is also believed to be in condition for allowance.

And, as the remaining ones of the dependent claims include all the limitations of their respective parent claims, these claims are believed to be in condition for allowance for the same reasons as those given with respect to their parent claim. Accordingly, allowance of claim 1 and reexamination and reconsideration for allowance of claim 13, as well as the remaining ones of the dependent claims, dependent upon claims 1 and 13, is respectfully requested. Such early action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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